

CORIAN® Care and Maintenance

With proper care, the Corian® surfaces in your home will stay looking like new.

When a DuPont Certified Fabricator/Installer of Corian® installs your Corian®, the entire job is warranted for 10 years against fabrication and installation defects. And, if you decide to sell your home, your warranty is transferable to the new owners. For complete details, see warranty literature.

1-800-4-CORIAN.

For more information, contact your retailer or call F-W-S @618-457-2326

Corian® was created for a lifetime of easy care. Just follow the simple guidelines listed here to keep your Corian® surfaces looking as fresh as the day they were installed. Your care and maintenance kit will provide you with the tips and tools to help you enjoy your new Corian® top for years to come.

Routine Care

There are three types of countertop finishes: matte/satin, semi-gloss and high-gloss*. Most countertops come with a matte/satin finish. All sinks have a matte/satin finish. Soapy water, ammonia based cleaners or commercially available solid surface cleaners will remove most dirt and residue from all types of finishes. Stubborn residue will require a little stronger cleaner. Follow the recommendations on the next page to properly clean your countertop and sink.

With over 100 colors and varying hues some colors may appear to require more frequent cleaning to maintain a uniform finish. Darker colors tend to require more attention than lighter colors. Over time through care and use your countertop will acquire a patina, changing the appearance of the finish.

*Contact F-W-S, your local Corian® sales expert, @ 618-457-2326 if you are unsure of your finish.

COUNTERTOPS

CLEANING ALL FINISHES

Most dirt & residue - Use soapy water or ammonia based cleaner, rinse and wipe dry.

Water marks - Wipe with damp cloth and wipe dry

Difficult residue - Spray residue with Cleaner for DuPont™ Corian® from Stone Care International, wait for about 30 seconds for cleaner to work. Wipe dry with a paper towel. If residue persists, repeat process.

If residue still persists, follow directions for removing scratches

Disinfecting - Occasionally wipe surface with dilute household bleach (1 part water/1 part bleach).

Rinse top thoroughly and wipe dry

REFURBISHING FINISHED GLOSS LEVEL

Matte - Rub entire surface with a green Scotch-Brite®* pad in a circular motion. Rinse surface with water and wipe dry

Semi-gloss - Use a countertop polish (see list below) to help hide scratches and blend in a uniform gloss level

High-gloss - Follow steps for semi-gloss or contact your dealer to arrange for professional refurbishment.

SINKS & LAVATORIES

Cleaning - Follow procedures above or use Soft Scrub®** and a green Scotch-Brite®* pad to remove residue. Rub green Scotch-Brite®* pad over entire sink to blend in finish.

Disinfecting - Occasionally fill sink 1/4 full with diluted household bleach (1 part water/1 part bleach).

Let stand for 15 minutes, then wash sides and bottom as solution drains. Rinse sink with water.

*Registered trademark of the 3M Company

**Registered trademark of the Clorox Company.

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- DO NOT get bleach solution in eyes or on bare skin. Always wear rubber gloves and protective eyewear when working with bleach.
 - Over the counter cleaners, such as, Clean EnCounters® may be used for routine cleaning in place of soap and water.
 - To enhance the gloss level on semi-gloss and high-gloss finishes, use a countertop polish such as Countertop Magic®1, Hope's Countertop Polish®2 or Enhance Countertop Polish®3.
- Tops are non-porous. Polish will just lay on tops.

1Countertop Magic is a registered trademark of Magic America Corp.

2Hope's Countertop Polish is a registered trademark of The Hope Co.

3Enhance Countertop Polish is a registered of Eastern Marble Co.

Preventing Heat Damage

Corian® is an excellent material for heat resistance. As with all countertop materials, it is important to use commonsense and minimize direct heat exposure to protect your surface and investment. Use heat trivets or hot pads when placing hot objects on any surface. Allow cookware to cool before placing them into a Corian® sink.

Preventing Other Damage

In most cases Corian® can be repaired if accidentally damaged. However, be sure to follow the guidelines here to prevent any permanent damage to Corian®.

- Avoid exposing Corian® to strong chemicals, such as paint removers, oven cleaners, etc. If contact occurs, quickly flush the surface with water.
- Do not cut directly on Corian® countertops
- Boiling water alone will not damage your Corian® sink, however it's a good practice to run your faucet while pouring boiling water into your sink.

Removing minor cuts and scratches*

Because the solid beauty of Corian® goes all the way through, Corian® surfaces are completely renewable. You can remove a minor cut or scratch yourself by following these instructions.

- Judge the severity of the scratch and start with the finest grit sanding pad to remove the scratch. (The color of the pads from roughest to smoothest are: White, Yellow, Green, Peach, Lilac, Blue, Gray.) Rub over scratch in a straight line to remove it. Periodically switch rubbing direction 90°. Be sure all of the scratch is removed. If this first step takes too long, try the next heavier grit sanding pad. To minimize dust during sanding, wet the surface. Rinse pad periodically to clean residue.
- Clean top with water. Select next lighter grit and repeat process. Rub over a larger area to blend in sanding.
- Continue process using successively finer grits until desired gloss level is achieved. Rinse out all pads used and air dry before putting them away.

Sources for materials mentioned above:

Cleaner for DuPont™ Corian® SCI (800) 839-1654

Green Scotch-Brite® Local supermarket or hardware store

Abrasive pads Micro-Surface Finishing Products, Inc. (800) 225-3006

Countertop Magic® Magic America Corp. (800) 321-6330

Hope's Countertop Polish The Hope Co. (800) 325-4026

Enhance Countertop Polish EMS – (800) 643-8818

SoftScrub® Local supermarkets

Clean EnCounters® SCI (800) 839-1654

*For large defects and repairs or for complete routine professional refurbishing service, contact F-W-S @ 618-457-2326